

THE ISLAND OF HAWAII.

Hilo Society, Shipping, Building,
Scenery and Weather Notes—
Kohala Industrial, Social, Police,
Postal and School Affairs.

(From our Hilo Correspondent.)

Hilo has had some rain and the weather is perfection. The new Japanese who arrived in December seem happy and are doing good service.

It is expected there will be a vessel out on the route between Hilo and San Francisco to run in connection with the Lurline.

Ka Lee, the Chinese tailor, has erected a two-story framed building nearly opposite his former place of business, which when finished will present a good appearance. His gold was found after the fire melted considerably.

The sunrise at Hilo was, no doubt, the most beautiful seen since the world was made. All who were up early concede that it was the sublimest they ever saw. As the sun rose higher the colors changed, though always of the richest hues. In fact, the scene baffles description. Sailors who have followed the water many years say it was the most gorgeous sunrise they ever witnessed, and greatly surpassed the much-talked-of afterglows.

On Saturday evening, January 28th, there was an extra large gathering at Papakou new school-house of the young people of the neighboring plantations and all the youth and beauty of Hilo, who are fond of dancing. The young ladies had decorated the house beautifully. The music furnished was two accordions; accordingly they danced until midnight, both to leave the scene so charming. The night was the most perfect seen in many years. For a wonder, there were more ladies than gentlemen present.

Hilo, February 2d.

J. A. M.

(From our Kohala Correspondent.)

The Kilauea caused quite a sensation, last week, by being 24 hours late from Hilo.

There is little or no sickness comparatively, though the Doctor is kept "on the go."

We are informed that Miss Fanny Low is soon to reproduce her excellent entertainment at Kalopili Hall, with several additions.

There were received for distribution at the Kohala Post Office, during the month of January, 4,215 letters, to say nothing of papers, magazines, etc.

Some work is being done on our roads, still there is room for improvement. A Celestial shuffled off his mortal coil last week, at Kalopili Hall, by hanging.

Affairs here are moving along as usual. The mills are all grinding. There is suffering very much for want of rain, none having fallen for the past three weeks.

We were all sorry to lose our genial and fun-loving "Joe" and his family, but our loss is Hilo's gain. Miss Wight is again "at home" after a lengthy sojourn in Honolulu, and we understand the Doctor, with the balance of his family, will follow soon.

Mr. Robert Andrews has opened a store at Hilo, where he will be glad to welcome his numerous friends. The "Ainake" question still seems to hang fire, no one appearing to know who is to remain as principal. Mr. Thatcher, a young man of great ability and experience, or Mr. Silver.

There seems to be an organized gang of thieves in this vicinity, as scarcely a week passes that one or more burglaries are not committed. We are all anxious for the Sheriff to put in an appearance, and stir up the police to more active exertion in either the suppression of thieving or capture of the rascals. The Post Office has again been entered, but nothing taken, money being their object, and not official envelopes. We hope soon for a new office, and a safe both fire and burglar proof, and one too heavy to be easily "packed" away.

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